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SUBJ: PEOPLE'S ORGANIZING PROVISIONAL OFFICE ESTABLISHED

SUMMARY: ETHIOPIAN MEDIA OF APRIL 21ST CARRIED EPMG PRO-CLAMATION ESTABLISHING "PEOPLE'S ORGANIZING PROVISIONAL OFFICE" (SIC). PROCLAMATION PROVIDES FOR OFFICERS AND FOUR COMMISSIONS, C AND LISTS POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE OFFICE. END SUMMARY.

1. ETHIOPIAN MEDIA FOF APRIL 21ST CARRIED FULL TEXT OF PRO-CLAMATION TO ESTABLISH PEOPLE'S ORGANIZING PROVISIONAL OFFICE. OFFICE SHALL BE UNDER THE DIRECTION OF A SUPREME ORGANIZING COMMITTEE WHICH IS APPOINTED BY AND HAS LINKS TO THE HEAD OF STATE. IT SHALL HAVE A 15 MEMBER
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PEOPLE'S ORGANIZING PROVISIONAL OFFICE COMMISSION. (NOTE: THERE

ARE BELIEVED TO BE CURRENTLY 15 MEMBERS ON THE "POLITBUTO." END NOTE.) A CHAIRMAN, VICE-CHAIRMAN, SECRETARY GENERAL AND THE NECESSARY STAFF SHALL BE ELECTED BY THE COMMISSION FROM AMONG ITS MEMBERS IN SUCH DEMOCRATIC PROCEDURE AS THE COMMISSION MAY DECIDE. THE POWERS/ DUTIES OF THE OFFICE SHALL BE VESTED IN THE COMMISSION WHICH MAY DELEGATE SAME AND PROSCRIBE ITS OWN RULES OF PROCEDURE.

2. THE COMMISSION SHALL DIVIDE ITSELF INTO FOUR PERMANENT COMMITTEES VIZ., PHILOSOPHY DISSEMINATION AND INFORMATION, POLITICAL EDUCATION, CURRENT AFFAIRS AND ORGANIZATION AFFAIRS.

3. THE OFFICE SHALL ESTABLISH BRANCH OFFICES IN EACH PROVINCE, AWRAJA, AND WEREDA AND SELECT AND ASSIGN THE CADRES TO EACH BRANCH OFFICE. (NOTE: APPROXIMATELY 900 STUDENTS, SAID TO BE THE CADRE FOR THIS OFFICE, ARE CURRENTLY UNDERGOING INDOCTRINATION AT ADDIS UNIVERSITY BY DR. NEGADE GOBEZE OF THE "POLITBURO." END NOTE.)

4. THE OFFICE SHALL HAVE THE FOLLOWING POWERS AND DUTIES: TO PREPARE DIRECTIVES IN ACCORDANCE WITH WHICH DEMOCRATIC RIGHTS CAN BE ENFORCED; TO ENFORCE THE DEMOCRATIC RIGHTS PROCLAMATION AND INTERPRET ITS SCOPE; TO ENSURE PROPER IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC REVOLUTIONARY PROGRAM AND TO PREPARE AND DISTRIBUTE IN THE VARIOUS LANGUAGES THE DIRECTIVES WHICH WILL AID IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE PHILOSOPHY OF ETHIOPIAN SOCIALISM; TO AID IN CREATING THE NECESSARY CONDITIONS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC WHICH GUARANTEES THE DICTATORSHIP OF THE BROAD MASSES; TO INDICATE TACTICS TO CHANGE THE PRESENT BUREAUCRACY TO ASSURE EFFICIENT WORK AND THAT REVOLUTIONARY ACTIONS NOT BE OBSTRUCTED; TO OPERATE THE POLITICAL SCHOOL AS THE HEAD THEREOF; TO PREPARE DIRECTIVES, PLANS, AND PROGRAMS FOR TRAINING CADRES TO AID IN ORGANIZING THE MASSES; TO STUDY WAYS TO SOLVE TRANSITORY ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL PROBLEMS; AND TO HIRE EMPLOYEES NECESSARY FOR THE PERFORMANCE OF ITS FUNCTIONS.

5. FULL TEXT WILL BE POUCHED TO DEPARTMENT.
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